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Cottbus Airfield

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REMARKS

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Between 2 and 3 p.m. on 14 December 1951, 43 to 45 twin-engine Pe-2s were parked in two rows on the northern edge of Cottbus airfield. A plane of this type with a single cockpit and two planes with two cockpits each circled over the field. * Their crews were changed after each landing. The two aircraft with two cockpits each took off at 3 p.m. and were not observed landing at the field. It appeared that the propellers of these aircraft had a counter-clockwise rotation. ** A radio truck with an extended antenna was parked at the take-off point.

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* Comment. The aircraft with two cockpits are the trainer version of the Pe-2 type aircraft in which the trainee sits behind and above the instructor.

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** Comment. This observation is made for the first time. It is not known whether the trainer version of the Pe-2 type aircraft is fitted with an engine different than that of the Pe-2s. The field is still occupied by a bomber regiment.

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